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FOR ARRANGING SEATS THEREIN  
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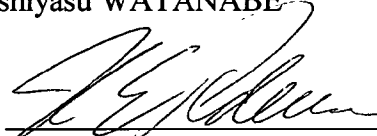
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## U.S. PATENT DOCUMENTS

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	AA	4,936,620	6/1990	Francois et al.			
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